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SUBJECT: LAWS GOVERNING ARMS EXPORT

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1. VENEZUELA DOES NOT MANUFACTURE FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION. ANY VENEZUELAN EXPORTS WOULD THEREFORE BE RE-EXPORTS.

2. ALL RE-EXPORTS ARE SUBJECT TO EXPORT LICENSING BY THE MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT. IF THE REQUEST IS OTHER THAN ROUTINE, (AS IN THE CASE OF FIREARMS) THE MOD OBTAINS ADVICE AND CLEARANCE FROM CONCERNED GOV AGENCIES. THE RE-EXPORT OF FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION REQUIRES THAT THE MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OBTAIN CLEARANCES FROM THE MINISTRIES OF DEFENSE, INTERIOR, AND JUSTICE. THE MINISTRY ADVISED THE EMBASSY THAT NO FIREARMS RE-EXPORT LICENSES ARE GRANTED FOR CUBAN CONSIGNEES, EVEN FOR FIREARMS ORIGINATING THERE.

3. LOADING OF SHOTGUN SHELLS IS DONE LOCALLY ON A VERY SMALL SCALE, BUT VOLUME IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO MEET LOCAL DEMAND. THE MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT ADVISES THAT WERE THEY TO BE REQUESTED, EXPORT LICENSES FOR LOCALLY-LOADED SHOTGUN SHELLS WOULD BE DENIED.

4. VENEZUELA IS NOW FOUNDING AN INDUSTRY TO PRODUCE SOME MILITARY SUPPLIES AND HAND-HELD WEAPONS. IT IS LIKELY THAT LAWS GOVERNING THE EXPORT OF NATIONALLY-PRODUCED FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION WILL BE PASSED PRIOR TO THE STARTUP OF THIS VENTURE.

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